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Serial No.: 09/777,553

Examiner: Betty J. Forman

Filing Date: Feb. 5, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1634

Title: Minimization of Blooming in High-Density Arrays by using Reactive Wash Reagents

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

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| (X) Response/Amendment | (X) Petition to extend time to respond |
| (X) New fee as calculated below | () Supplemental Declaration |
| () No additional fee (Address envelope to "Box Non-Fee Amendments") | |
| (X) Other: Terminal Disclaimer | (fee \$ <u>110.00</u>) |

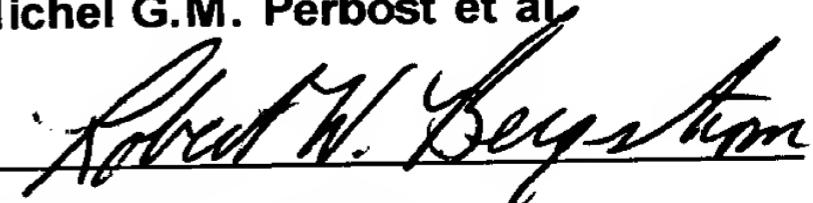
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TOTAL CLAIMS	16	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$410.00 X	3RD MONTH \$930.00	4TH MONTH \$1450.00		\$ 110
OTHER FEES						\$ 110
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 220

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2002, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on February 3, 2003. Enclosed is a Petition for an Extension of Time. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 5, please add the following new paragraph:

Cross-Reference

This application is a continuation of Patent No. 6,184,347 issued February 6, 2001.